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Request for Appeal – CC Docket No. 02-6
Federal Communications Commission
Office of Secretary
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

**Request for APPEAL and Waive Deadline for the Application Filing Window–
Funding Year 2013**

Dear Sir or Madam,

• Billed Entity Number:	138757
• Name of BEN:	Central City Public Schools
• Contact person name:	Candace Conradt
• Contact Information:	1711 15 th Ave Central City, NE 68826 cconradt@esu7.org
• FCC Form 471 Application Number:	888042
• Funding Request Number:	2415268
• Funding Year:	2013
• FCC Form 470 Application Number:	962110000936464

• Billed Entity Number:	16038709
• Name of BEN:	Schuyler Community Schools
• Contact person name:	Stephen Grammer
• Contact Information:	401 Adam Schuyler, NE 68661 sgrammer@esu7.org
• FCC Form 471 Application Number:	899756
• Funding Request Number:	2446507
• Funding Year:	2013
• FCC Form 470 Application Number:	929860000692904

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Explanation:

We are requesting an appeal for waiver of deadline extension for the Central City Public Schools and Schuyler Community Schools. Our former employee, who terminated her employment without notice who managed our ERate filings, left employment early in 2013 with no notice. Both schools filed under our SPIN for Cable Nebraska, LLC, which is one of the entities we operate out of. Also in 2013, we transferred/sold the systems from Cable Nebraska, LLC to Antilles Wireless, LLC which is an affiliated entity of ours.

We did not at the time have a SPIN for Antilles Wireless and was unaware of the ramifications that would cost the schools their funding being denied. Due to the change of staff and the confusion to the assistant who filled the vacancy, there was no application for a SPIN for Antilles Wireless done.

All required forms were submitted timely by both the schools and service provider. Funding was denied by USAC due to our SPIN for Cable Nebraska, LLC. As stated in the Funding Commitment Report from USAC, Funding Commitment Decision Explanation:

The FRN is denied due to the service provider that was selected is not an eligible telecommunications carrier. In order to provide Telecommunications services under the Program rules, Telecommunications carriers must file an FCC Form 499-A on an annual basis. An FCC Form 499-A has not been filed by the service provider you selected for this FRN.

After the transfer/sale of the systems between our two entities, Cable Nebraska and Antilles Wireless, Cable Nebraska no longer had any systems that provided VOIP service therefore did not need to file a 499-A for 2013. All VOIP revenue previously reported under Cable Nebraska's FCC number was then reported under Antilles Wireless in 2013.

At the time of this decision by USAC, we contacted the USAC customer service for assistance and explained what happened and what do 'we' need to do to fix this for the schools. We were told that the schools would need to reapply and instead of selecting 'Telecommunications Service' as the Category of Service that they should select 'Internet'. In the meantime, the schools had also contacted USAC and were told that due to them having a multiyear contract, their only option was to select 'Telecommunications Service' as the Category of Service. We have contacted USAC customer service on multiple occasions to discuss what we need to do so that the schools would be able to reapply. We were told to file an application for a new SPIN, we have since filed an application for a SPIN for Antilles Wireless, SPIN 143042919. Then we were informed by USAC that we would then need to File an Appeal for an extension of the invoice deadline with the FCC and based on the FCC's decision, we could then File an Appeal with USAC and provide our new SPIN information and request approval before the schools can reapply with the new SPIN information.

This waiver is requesting that the deadline extension for filing a new FCC Form 471 be extended so the schools can reapply with the new SPIN, 143042919, for Antilles Wireless and the schools can receive the funding needed for the 2013 school year. If you have any further questions with this request you may contact me at (308) 698-1428.

Sincerely,



Stuart Gilbertson
Chief Operating Officer

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